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REPORT NO. [REDACTED]

TOPIC 1. Troops and Military Installations in Stettin [REDACTED] [REDACTED]

2. Supply Installation in Lodz

EVALUATION [REDACTED]

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1. In May 1955:

[REDACTED] was observed [REDACTED] with guns of installation on the southwest side of Al. Wojska Polskiego in Stettin (O 54/Q 55) which was occupied by Polish troops. The guns were supported by round revolving mounts which were fitted to the platforms of motor vehicles. The gun crew also rode in the gun carrier. The same column [REDACTED] 4 signal trucks, an undetermined number of motor vehicles [REDACTED] field kitchens, and some trucks and sedans. The trucks were [REDACTED] by enlisted men who were equipped with rifles. The column included no armored vehicles. The motor vehicles passed by for about 15 minutes. Also, on other occasions, no armored vehicles were observed in the northern section of the installation. Soldiers wearing red service color were observed in the southern section of this installation. It was known that this section quartered Polish infantrymen. Also, in this area no armored vehicles were observed.¹

2. Prior to the spring of 1954, the former Infanterie Kaserne on the northeast side of ul. Mickiewicza in Stettin was occupied by Soviet troops who engaged in service activities in the port area and received infantry training in the area of the barracks installation. In about the late fall of 1952, the Soviets evacuated their offices and billets from the area of the city and withdrew to the installation on Mickiewicza together with their dependents. The Soviet commanding officer, who was a [REDACTED] lieutenant colonel, also moved to the billets in the installation. This [REDACTED] furnished by a German woman who was employed at the household of [REDACTED] lieutenant colonel.²

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3. Prior to February 1954, no tank troops were observed in the area of the former Neue Artillerie Kaserne on the north side of ul. Macieja Rataja, formerly Pasewalker Chaussee, in Stettin. The installation was apparently undamaged. The branch of service of the Polish troops who were quartered in the installation was undetermined. Soldiers wearing gray blue uniforms were only sporadically observed in the area of the station. Prior to May 1954, the bulk of the Polish soldiers wore khaki uniforms.

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4. At an undetermined date in September 1953, an estimated two Polish infantry regiments were observed marching in the streets of Stettin. They included two bands. ³
5. Prior to December 1954, the former Jaeger Kaserne on the west side of the Grunau (O 51/G 68) road in Hirschberg (O 51/G 68) housed a Polish officer candidate school. Officer candidates who wore wide red stripes along the outer seams of their trousers were frequently observed in the streets of the city. The Polish recruiting district headquarters (WKR) was located in the former building of the freemasons' lodge on the former Hospital Strasse near the former Waldersee Kaserne. The occupation of the other barracks installations in Hirschberg was undetermined. It was only known that the former German Army training areas on "Gruenbusch", southeast of the former Artillerie Kaserne (Arras Kaserne) and the target ranges on the Grunau road were used by Polish troops. ⁴

6. In December 1954, a supply installation which included 6 to 8 warehouses was observed on the north side of ul. Limanowskiego and just east of the railroad line from Lodz-Kaliska to Zgierz (Q 52/O 94) in the northwestern sector of Lodz (Q 52/O 93). The 6 or 7-story warehouses which were constructed of concrete and whose longitudinal sides were equipped with loading ramps with railroad spurs were arranged parallel to ul. Limanowskiego and in succession from the north to the south. Construction of the warehouses was started in 1951. The several warehouses had flat roofs and large glass windows which belonged to the individual stories.

[REDACTED] the construction activity was not yet terminated. A new railroad station, named Lodz-Zabiniec, was established at the intersection of ul. Limanowskiego and the Zgierz railroad line. The railroad embankment which passed over ul. Limanowskiego was widened. Vast tracks and shunting installations were newly constructed west of the new warehouses. A Polish woman who was employed as a packer at one of the new warehouses said that furniture, mattresses, military uniforms and military underwear and linen were stored there. At an undetermined date, large hampers which contained glass bottles, and sheet-metal tins were unloaded from railroad cars. In the fall of 1954, one of the new warehouses burned out after a heavy explosion. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]. The new warehouses were enclosed by a wire fence which extended along the east and south sides of the installation. It was unknown whether or not the installation was guarded by soldiers. ⁵

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2. [REDACTED] Comment. The present report confirms the concentration of the Soviet offices and units in Stettin in the former Infanterie Kaserne which has constantly been occupied by the Soviets.

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3. [REDACTED] Comment. According to local residents, the former Neue Artillerie Kaserne quarters infantry units only. [REDACTED] The troops

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are possibly component units of the two rifle regiments of the 12th Rifle Div which are mentioned in the foregoing 1st Comment. The two bands also support this belief.

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4. Comment. The recruiting district headquarters in the former building of the freemasons' lodge in Hirschberg is known. The infantry officer candidate school is also known, but, disagreeing with the present report, it has been assumed to be stationed at the former Waldersee Kaserne. The actual location of the school is undetermined.

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5. Comment. The new warehouse installation in the northwestern sector of ~~Loda~~ is reported for the first time.

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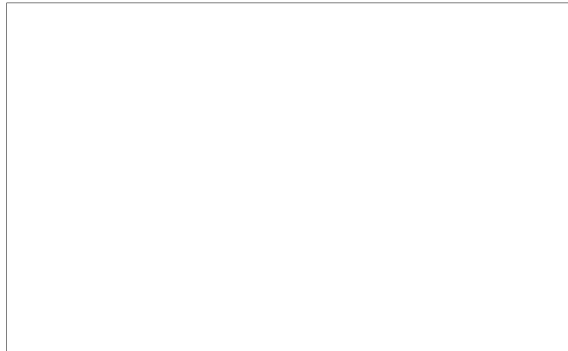
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